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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : Wright et al.
SERIAL NO. : 09/581,378
FILED : June 9, 2000
TITLE : CONNECTION BETWEEN A WALL AND A PIPE
EXAMINER : X. Nguyen
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RESPONSE

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
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Dear Sir:

This paper is respectfully submitted in response to the final Office Action
mailed June 12, 2002. Reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested
in light of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Withdrawal of the final rejection are respectfully requested in view of the
following remarks.

U.S. Patent No. 5,655,564 to Gavin, describes a seal for sealing a pipe
to a chamber wall as the pipe passes through that chamber wall. It is respectfully